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At the recommendation of the East Hampton Town Police Department awards committee, Chief Sarlo has issued the **2021 Department Awards**. Fifteen Officers and 3 Public Safety Dispatchers were recognized for outstanding and dedicated acts of professional policing during 2021. All officers received an Award Bar, which they may display above their shield.

Some highlights of the work performed by EHTPD officers include; Police Officer of the Year James Gesa who assisted with a major narcotics and weapons investigation, while leading patrol in overall and felony arrests, and handling the second most calls for service; two separate armed subjects threatening to harm themselves were disarmed and taken into custody without injury; two lives were saved by CPR and NARCAN; occupants of a vehicle fire were rescued and PO Tyler Gilbride led the department in handling 807 calls during the year.

2021 was again a challenge for our officers and law enforcement across the country. We are proud of their efforts, as many acts of bravery, professionalism and diligent investigation were performed by our officers during 2021 and we are honored to recognize them.

The following officers were honored with Awards for their outstanding and dedicated service to the Town of East Hampton and the Department for the year 2020:

Police Officer of the Year: PO James Gesa

Department Recognition: PO Ross Hamilton, PO Joseph Izzo, PO Nick Lloyd, PO David Martin, PO Michelle Miller, PO James Patterson and PO Denis Shea,

Excellent Police Service Award: PO James Gesa and PO Andrea Kess

Meritorious Police Service Award: Detective Dave Orlando

Chief's Recognition Award: PO James Gesa, PO Tyler Gilbride, PO Bradley Hughes, PO Andrea Kess, PSD Stephen Graham, PSD Darlene Semlear and PSD Patrick Harden,

Lifesaving Award: PO Phil Marino, PO Robert Lucas and PO Patrick Royal